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Sir:

Transmitted for filing is a Continuation application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of:

Inventor(s) : Daniel S. Poplawski and James W. McGinley
Title : Removable Transceiver Module and Receptacle
Our Case No. : 411OE052.C3B

1. (X) Enclosed is a copy of the prior application including a photocopy of the oath or declaration. The prior application includes 41 pages of the specification, including claims, and 6 sheets of informal drawings.
2. () An extension of time to respond to the office action of _____ was granted on _____ for _____ month(s).
3. (X) A preliminary amendment is enclosed. The preliminary amendment cancels Claims 1-29.
(X) The filing fee is calculated below:

	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee () \$385.00 (X) \$770.00
Total Claims	4	-20 = -0	x (0) \$ 9.00 = 0.00 x (0) \$ 18.00 = 0.00	
Independent Claims	1	- 3 = -0	x (0) \$ 43.00 = 0.00 x (0) \$ 86.00 = 0.00	
Any multiple dependent claims () Yes (X) No			x (0) \$145.00 = 0.00 x (0) \$290.00 = -0.00	

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4. (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-1413 for the \$770.00 filing fee. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
5. (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1413. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
6. (X) Cancel in this application original Claims 1-29 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.
7. () Amend this specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
--This is a continuation of application Ser. No. 10/154,658 filed May 24, 2002. --
8. () Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for filing in the prior application file.
- 8a. () A letter requesting entry of formal drawings and attached formal drawings are enclosed.
9. (X) This application claims priority of application Serial No. 10/154,658, filed in the U.S. on 05/24/02, as provided under 35 U.S.C. 120, and is hereby incorporated herein by reference. This application is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 10/154,658, filed May 24, 2002.
() The certified copy has been filed in prior application Ser. _____, filed _____.
10. () A verified statement claiming small entity status was enclosed in the prior application.
11. (X) The prior application is assigned of record to Stratos Lightwave, Inc.
12. () The power of attorney in the prior application is to Karl D. Kovach, Reg. No. 40,278.

12a. () The power of attorney in the prior application is to Messrs. Karl D. Kovach (Reg. No. 40,278), and Steven M. Evans (Reg. No. 35,503) of Stratos Lightwave, Inc.; and Messrs. Robert M. Barrett (Reg. No. 30,142), Adam H. Masia (Reg. No. 35,602), Amy J. Gast (Reg. No. 41,773), Renato L. Smith (Reg. No. 45,117), Alan L. Barry (Reg. No. 30,819), Michael S. Leonard (Reg. No. 37,557), William E. Vaughan (Reg. No. 39,056), Patricia A. Kane (Reg. No. 46,446), Thomas C. Basso (Reg. No. 46,541), and Robert W. Connors (Reg. No. 46,639), and all members of the firm of Bell, Boyd & Lloyd, a Professional Corporation.

12b. () An Information Disclosure Statement, and form PTO-1449 are enclosed.

12c. () The power appears in the original papers of the prior application.
() Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
(X) Address all future communications to:

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13. (X) A preliminary amendment is enclosed (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)

14. () I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application Serial No. _____, as originally filed on _____ and that no amendments referred to in the oath or declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein.

The undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

It is understood that secrecy under 35 U.S.C. 122 is hereby waived to the extent that if information or access is available to any one of the applications in the file wrapper of a 37 CFR 1.53 (b) application, be it either this application or a prior application in the same file wrapper, the Patent and Trademark Office may provide similar information or access to all the other applications in the same file wrapper.

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